



# NORFOLK

## Memorandum

TO: City Council

FROM: Lori A. Crouch, Public Relations Manager

COPIES TO: City Clerk, City Attorney

SUBJECT: Council Interests

DATE: July 10, 2015

I hope you all enjoyed the long holiday weekend. In today's memo you will find updates on your Council interests and related items from the June 23<sup>rd</sup> Council meeting as well as information on the creation of a Section 108 Loan Program which will come to you later this month.

**Tobacco Warehouse:** Staff recently held a meeting with the property owner Mr. Andy McCullough to discuss progress on the project and plans moving forward. Mr. McCullough stated and staff confirmed, he has received financial commitments to complete the project. Mr. McCullough expects to begin construction mid-August. He told staff it will take approximately 6 weeks to stabilize the building from the inside. Once complete, a lane on Princess Anne will reopen to traffic. HRT has resumed bus service at the stop on E. Princess Anne Road and Reservoir Avenue. Code inspectors have cited the property and will seek legal action if the project stalls at any time. A copy of the letter is attached.

**The Landings at Bolling Square:** The building permits issued stated that there are 67 units at 1001 Bolling Avenue and 55 units at 1015 Bolling Avenue. This is in accordance to the conditional rezoning. The entire development encumbered by the zoning (townhouses and multi-family) are limited to a total number of 205 dwelling units. Based on staff count, there is a total of 196 units which includes those currently under construction.

**Building Safety:** The City employs round-the-clock private security services at City Hall. Due to security reasons, staff cannot reveal specifics but the guards do make rounds and follow protocols to keep the building safe for the general public. Security protocols require guards to interphase with Norfolk Police and Fire and Rescue should the need arise.

**161 Granby:** Staff has issued a notice of violation to the property owner. A copy of the letter is attached. The property owner has until August 3<sup>rd</sup> to provide staff with a plan of action. If we do not receive a plan, staff will work with the City Attorney's office to seek legal action.

**New Schools** – Staff has updated the new schools webpage, [www.norfolk.gov/newschools](http://www.norfolk.gov/newschools) with approved architectural plans for the new schools as well as information and photos of the inclusive playgrounds. We will release a newsletter shortly for Campostella and Richard Bowling with construction updates and photos.

**St. Pauls Blvd. Pedestrian Walkway** – Staff closed a travel lane and moved a barricade to create a walkway for pedestrians not wishing to cross the street. The sidewalk adjacent to the bus transfer station will reopen at the end of July.

**HUD Section 108 Loan Program** – The City is pursuing establishment of a Section 108 Loan Program as part of its holistic approach to economic & community development to foster vibrant neighborhoods, expand local tax revenue base, and stimulate job creation. The program will leverage private capital with federal funds available through its U.S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant allocation. Council can expect to receive a proposed resolution at its July 21 meeting authorizing the City's application submission to HUD in support of a Section 108 Loan Program. The program facilitates establishment of an economic development loan pool for the benefit of low and moderate income individuals and elimination of blight.

Have a nice weekend.



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Department of Neighborhood Development  
Division of Neighborhood Quality and Code Compliance

June 29, 2015

ANDY MCCULLOUGH  
4006 VICTORY BLVD.  
SUITE J-222  
PORTSMOUTH, VA 23701

Case No: 14-00013055  
Property Address: 1140 E PRINCESS ANNE RD

Dear ANDY MCCULLOUGH

This is to inform you that an inspection has been made at the building or structure located at: **1140 E PRINCESS ANNE RD**. Our findings are that the structure located at this site is unsafe and uninhabitable. The attached violations of the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code (USBC), Part III render the structure unsafe and uninhabitable.

Pursuant to Section 105.1 of the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code as adopted by the city of Norfolk, it is hereby ordered that this structure must be **repaired or demolished and removed by August 03, 2015**. All permits must be obtained prior to starting any repair work or demolition.

Under Part III, Sections 105.4 and 105.9 of the USBC, should you fail to demolish and remove the structure the City of Norfolk, through the Code Official will cause the structure to be demolished and removed by contract or arrangement with a private demolition contractor. The cost of demolition and removal shall be charged against the real estate upon which the structure is located and a lien shall be placed upon the real estate.

In accordance with the provisions of the USBC Part III, Section 106.5 you have the right to appeal this notice and order by filing a written application to the Local Board of Building Code Appeals of the City of Norfolk. The application for appeal must be filed within (14) days after this notice is served upon you. The appeal shall be based on a claim that the true intent of the code or the rules legally adopted there under have been incorrectly interpreted, the provisions of the code do not fully apply, or the requirements or the code are adequately satisfied by some other means.

Failure to submit an application for appeal within the time specified shall constitute acceptance of the Code Officials decision. Should you have any questions or if we may be of help in your decisions, please contact your Code Specialist ,Sherry Johnson at 664-6563

Sincerely,

Sherry Johnson, Acting Division Head  
Division of Neighborhood Quality  
Department of Neighborhood Development

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# NORFOLK

Department of Neighborhood Development  
Division of Neighborhood Quality and Code Compliance

July 6, 2015

TOM PRIORESCHI  
P.O. BOX 2851  
COLUMBIA, SC 29202

Case No: 14-00000021  
Property Address: 161 GRANBY ST

Dear TOM PRIORESCHI

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July 6, 2015

THE SAVOY APARTMENTS, LLC  
1530 MAIN ST  
COLUMBIA, SC 292015812

Case No: 14-00000021  
Property Address: 161 GRANBY ST

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